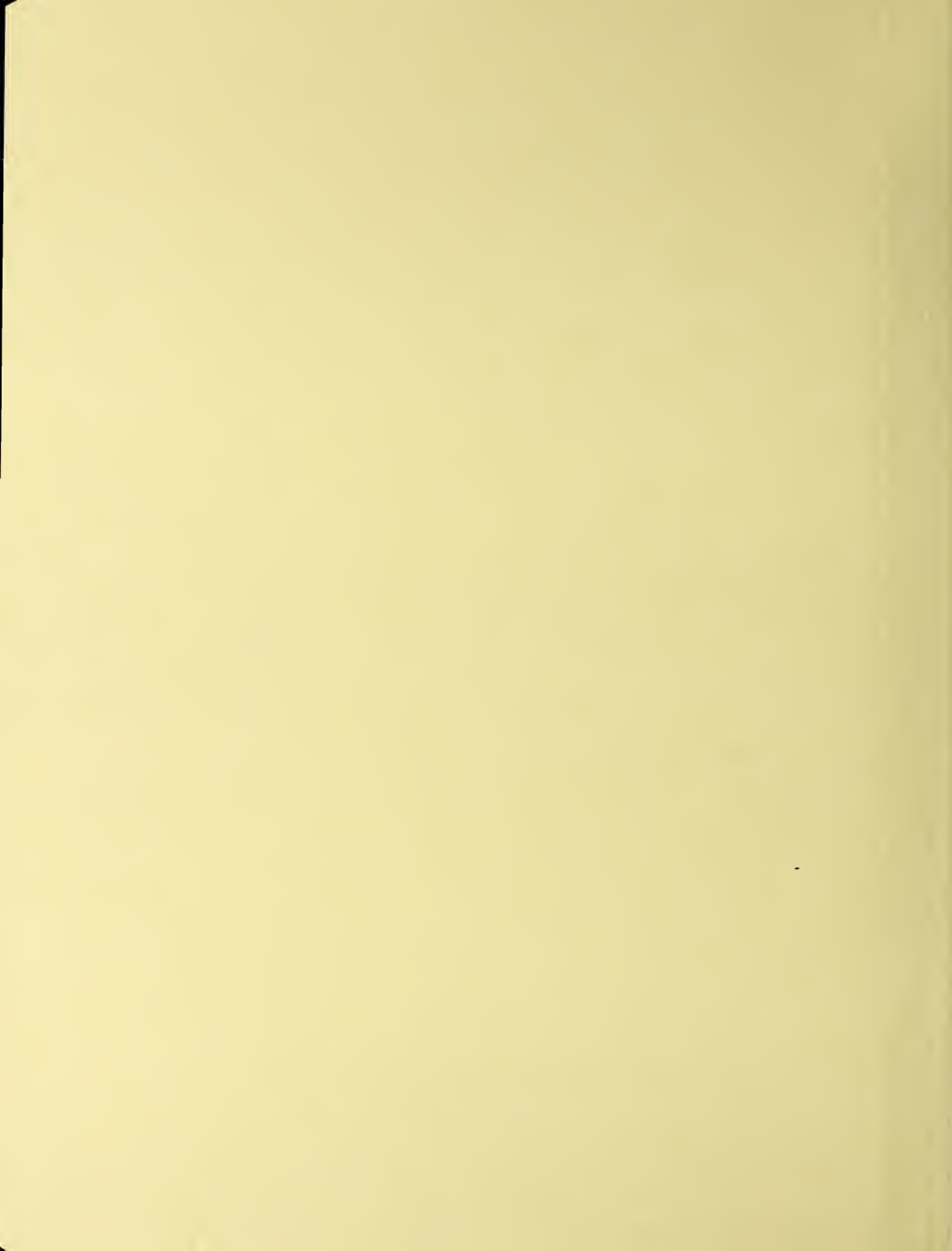


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Columbus 15
Ohio
April 6th 1949



Mr J. W. McQuinn - President
St. Mary's, Indiana:

My dear Sir, —

I have been informed that you are
interested in Lincoln history & connections &
my world has been a very wide one — (my father in
law was U. S. Consul at Dusseldorf & I've lived
a lot in Europe & England & having been a club
woman & touched Nat. & Inter Nat. affairs & now also
I am older & I have no living ties — (no heirs) and —
in making this ending of life's splendid chapter,
I have been able to dispose — bequeath all
my out of ordinary things & values etc to
the Ohio State Museum here — they already
have 45 things — & to the Art Museum
at Janesville where our family started
(+ died) in 1809 — & in our old home I
have the Lane Memorial things back
to this date — Grandpa's place being now
a big camp for Y.M.C.A. etc — but

This bird, 'Its been in our home since the 80's
 & from 1910 when Theod. Roosevelt & all of us were in
 London for the Kings funeral. (May 23-) & the
 White House bird known as the Lincoln bird etc
 was written up in German & in our America
 etc (all of which I have) then came the took my
 father late Prof. Lane since our ~~became~~ the
 same - where was the Lincoln bird blue print
 that Lincoln architects got at New Orleans as
 was our bird - & the old man who told Jafa the
 bird said several blue prints had been made of
 the bird, as Mc Kibbin, Mead, White - (Frank Kellogg)
 got it & reproduced for Mrs Theod. Roosevelt at a
 cost of \$3,600.00 - 1903 etc etc - My personal
 friends said for me to write - Perhaps you
 could use the bird in your museum, and
 perhaps some interesting personality who can
 see my publicity etc can see what I am
 offering & at much greater length than I
 could write, but tell & show you all I have
 about the bird; To get it settled before I die
 is my purpose. If I know artists & museum types
 you or who ever controls - can't keep but be in-
 terested - so - will you write & please return
 the picture as it is my last small print.
 Thank you & I await your reaction
 comment or suggestions - Very truly
 Yours (Mrs) (Grand) (Lana) (Liber)
 (Liberally & club etc)

April 8, 1949

Mrs. Ora Delpha Lane
568 Franklin Avenue
Columbus 15, Ohio

My dear Madam:

Your letter with reference to the historic bed in your possession which correspondence was directed to the President of our Company has been forwarded to this Department.

I regret to advise you that we have no facilities here for the display of large historical pieces and inasmuch as we confine ourselves exclusively to items related to Lincoln I regret to advise you we would not be interested in the acquisition of your interesting furniture. Thank you very much, however, for calling it to our attention and we herewith attach the photograph which you forwarded.

Very truly yours,

LAN/DFB
L. A. Warren
Enc.

Director

*Cured
White House Bed.*

April 14, 1949

Mrs. Ora Delpha Lane
568 Franklin Avenue
Columbus, 15, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Lane:

Your letter with reference to the historic bed in your possession which correspondence was directed to the President of our Company, has been forwarded to this Department,

I regret to advise you that we have no facilities here for the display of large historical pieces. If we did, I am sure the bed in your possession would be quite desirable as we understand it is an exact copy of the famous Lincoln bed in the White House.

Thank you very much for calling this interesting curio to our attention and we hope you may be successful in placing it some place where it may be fully appreciated.

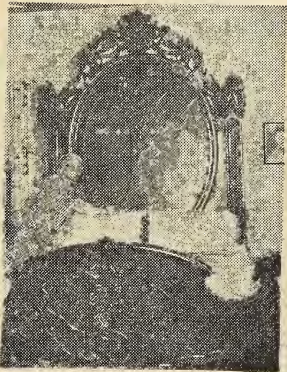
Very truly yours,

Director

LAW:CM
L.A. Warren

The Louisville Times
Louisville, Kentucky
Tuesday, August 7, 1962

Judging from pictures carried in newspapers and in magazines and in the official White House guide book, Mrs. Tucker's looks like an exact duplicate of the famous Washington piece.



TWIN BED? An antique bedstead that looks like a twin to the one in the Abraham Lincoln room at the White House stands in the Crescent Hill residence of Mrs. Fred G. Tucker (3121 Marion Court). Her son obtained it at an auction more than a year ago, well before the celebrated TV White House tour, but the auctioneer knew nothing of its origin.

Mrs. Tucker and antique.

